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Scott Walker, Governor Reginald J. Newson, Secretary

May 1, 2012

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Sincerely,

Reggie Newson

Secretary

Enclosure

CC: Jonathan Barry, Deputy Secretary

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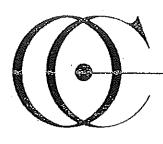
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Thomas Nelson, County Executive

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April 13, 2012

Governor Scott Walker State Capitol Madison, WI 53702

Dear Governor Walker:

For the past several months, Outagamie County has been exploring re-designation from the Fox Valley Workforce Development Area to the Bay Area Workforce Development Area. I have been in close contact with the Department of Workforce Development throughout this process. This letter is to formally request that Outagamie County be re-designated as a member county of the Bay Area Workforce Development Area.

The Outagamie County Board voted 32 - 0 in favor of re-designation at their March 27, 2012 meeting. Please find a copy of the Board Resolution for your reference.

I look forward to working cooperatively with you and the Department of Workforce Development to provide for a smooth and seamless transition.

Sincerely,

Thomas Nelson

Outagamie County Executive

Cc: DWD Secretary Reggie Newson

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 119—2011-12 - Emergency Management Department. Approve the Outagamie County Emergency Management Department to apply for, accept and expend the Incident Command System training grant funds in the amount of \$4,956.44, with no county match required.

Supervisor McAndrews moved, seconded by Supervisor Hirte for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 33 aye, 1 nay, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 119—2011-12 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 120—2011-12 - Finance Committee. Approve and authorize the execution of the "Resolution Awarding the Sale of \$13,250,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds".

Supervisor Beckley moved, seconded by Supervisor Trentlage for adoption.

Supervisor Beckley moved, seconded by Supervisor Stueck, to amend the resolution to reduce line 7 to \$13,035,000 due to the sale of the bonds at a premium. No objection; so ordered. <u>AMENDMENT CARRIED</u>.

RÖLL CALL: 34 aye, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 120-2011-12 IS ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

Resolution No. 121—2011-12 – Highway and Solid Waste Committee and Finance Committee. Approve the establishment of a Recycling Stabilization Account whose purpose will be to hold recycling monies that serve as a buffer against fluctuating commodity prices and state funding, and that amounts to be expended from this restricted account would be included in the Recycling Stabilization Account annual budget and approved by the County Board or would be brought forward to the Outagamie County Board through a separate resolution.

Supervisor Schuette moved, seconded by Supervisor DeGroot, for adoption,

ROLL CALL: 33 aye, 1 nay, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 121-2011-12 IS ADOPTED.

Resolution No. 122—2011—12 Property, Airport, Recreation and Economic Development Committee. Approve termination of the Consortium Agreement with the Local Elected Officials of the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, thereby, effectively terminating its membership in the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board effective May 30, 2012.

Supervisor Culbertson moved, seconded by Supervisor A. Schmidt, for adoption.

Supervisor McAndrews questioned if Corporation Counsel received an answer regarding liability to Outagamie County implications from Mr. Hesse. Corporation Counsel reported that there would not be any liability to Outagamie County.

Supervisor Stueck reported that Outagamie County could be liability from the monitoring report whether Outagamie County moved to Bay Area or remained at Fox Valley Workforce Development Area. Corporation Counsel reported that Mr. Hesse reports there is no liability.

ROLE CALL: 32 aye, 2 abstain, 2 absent <u>RESOLUTION NO. 122—2011-12 IS ADOPTED</u>

Resolution No. 123—2011-12: Property, Airport, Recreation and Economic Development Committee. Approve of joining the Bay Area Workforce Development Board.

Supervisor Culbertson moved, seconded by Supervisor A. Schmidt, for adoption.

ROLL CALL: 29 aye, 3 may, 2 abstain, 2 absent. RESOLUTION NO. 123—2011-12 IS ADOPTED.

RESOLUTION NO.: 122-2011-12

TO THE HONORABLE, THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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MAJORITY

I	The Fox Valley Workforce Development Board (FVWDB) has been in the midst of an audit
2	conducted by the Federal Department of Labor. The Department of Labor's preliminary findings
3	are included in the Federal Monitoring Report. The FVWDB, through the Wisconsin
4	Department of Workforce Development (DWD), has responded to the monitoring report and the
5	Department of Labor has yet to file its final findings. Although the monitoring report is
6	preliminary and the potential liability may be mitigated through remediation and further
7	explanation, county administration and the board leadership have been gravely concerned with
8	regard to the lack of managerial control. There is also significant concern about the lack of
9	county control and input into the leadership of the FVWDB. Currently the member counties,
10	through the Local Elected Officials Consortium, have no voting rights as to the performance
11	evaluation of the FVWDB director. Despite this lack of control with regard to the Director of the
12	FVWDB, the member counties are ultimately liable for any liabilities that may exceed FVWDB
13	funds. Suggested amendments have been proposed to address this lack of proportional authority;
14	however, the FVWDB Executive Committee has, to date, refused to approve the amendments.
15	Given these realities; the County Executive, County Board Chair, County Board Vice-Chair and
16	the Property Airport, Recreation and Economic Development Committee recommend
17	terminating Outagamie County's membership with the FVWDB.
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19	In the event of termination, the County has received assurances that its constituents will continue
20	to receive services as long as the board agrees to realign with another area workforce
21	development board.
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23	NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Property, Airport, Recreation and
24	Economic Development Committee recommend adoption of the following resolution.
25	BE IT RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors does approve of
26	terminating the Consortium Agreement with the Local Elected Officials of the Fox Valley Workforce
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27	Development Board, thereby, effectively terminating its membership in the Fox Valley Workforce
28	Development Board effective May 30, 2012, and
29	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Executive is, hereby, authorized to
30	provide whatever legal notice is necessary to accomplish such termination, and

1	BE	BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Clerk be directed to forward a copy						
2		f this resolution to the Outagamie County Corporation Counsel and the Outagamie County Executive.						
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RESOLUTION NO.: 123-2011-12

TO THE HONORABLE, THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

The Outagamie County Board, having approved the termination of its membership with the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, must consider aligning with another workforce development board in order to assure Outagamie County residents continued federal funding, ongoing resources and services in the area of workforce development. This resolution seeks approval for Outagamie County to join the Bay Area Workforce Development Board (BAWDB). The member counties of BAWDB are as follows: Brown, Door, Florence, Kewaunee, Manitowoc, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Shawano and Sheboygan. The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development has given conditional approval of such a re-alignment and has pledged the assistance of its staff to aid in the transition, contingent upon County Board approval. The County Executive, in conjunction with the County Board Chair and County Board Vice-Chair, has conducted due diligence regarding BAWDB's management capabilities and its ability to provide innovative and comprehensive services as required by the Federal Workforce Investment Act and highly recommends joining BAWDB.

NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Property, Airport, Recreation and Economic Development Committee recommend adoption of the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors does approve of joining

the Bay Area Workforce Development Board, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Outagamie County Executive is authorized to apply to the Bay Area Workforce Development Board for membership and to work with the Bay Area Workforce Development Board and the Department of Workforce Development staff to implement a smooth transition, assuring that ongoing funding is secured and that no gap in services to Outagamie County residents will occur, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Clerk be directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Outagamie County Executive, Outagamie County Finance Director, Corporation Counsel and the Executive Director of the Bay Area Workforce Development Board.

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